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1. I PERSONALLY NOTIFIED SYG AT NOON TODAY THAT IF HE EXTENDS INVITATION TO US AND SOV GOVTS, EACH OF US WLD BE WILLING TO CONTRIBUTE 36 PERSONNEL TO UNTSO. I EMPHASIZED TO HIM THAT EACH PERSON WAS TO BE FULLY INTEGRATED INTO UNTSO STRUCTURE, RESPONSIBLE TO UNTSO COMMAND, WITH NO SPECIAL RIGHTS OR PRIVILEGES. I FURTHER STRESSED THAT, AS PER A SOV-AMERICAN UNDERSTANDING, NEITHER GOVT WAS TO HAVE MORE PERSONNEL THAN THAT OF ANY GOVT NOW REPRESENTED IN UNTSO; IN OTHER WORDS, THE SAME NUMBER AS SWEDEN, WHICH NOW HAS 36. I CONFIDENTIAL

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TOLD WALDHEIM THAT THE NUMBER, 36, COVERS ANY PERSONNEL EACH SIDE WOULD CONTRIBUTE AND WAS NOT MEANT TO APPLY ONLY TO MILITARY OFFICIALS WHO MIGHT THEN REQUEST ADDITION OF INTERPRETERS TO FUNCTION. IN OTHER WORDS, INTERPRETERS AND/OR SPECIALISTS ARE TO BE COUNTED THE SAME AS

MILITARY.

- 2. SYG SAID HE WOULD NOW BEGIN DRAFTING A LETTER, WHICH HE PROMISED TO SHOW TO ME IN ADVANCE, NOTING AND ACCEPTING THIS OFFER. HE SAID, FRANKLY, THAT UNTSO IS NOT PARTICULARLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT ADDITION OF SOVS AND AMERICANS BUT WOULD ACCEDE.
- 3. SUBSEQUENTLY MALIK CALLED ME FOR THIRD TIME THIS WEEK-END ON UNTSO MATTER. I ADVISED HIM USG HAD NOT OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED WALDHEIM OF AGREEMENT AND TOLD HIM TO REMEMBER THAT FIGURE 36 APPLIES TO MILITARY MEN, INTERPRETERS, AND/OR ANY OTHER SPECIALISTS AND THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO MISUNDERSTANDING ON THIS. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD. SCALI UNQUOTE RUSH

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